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Title: Need to reconsider the construction of fly-over near Madhupatna police station, Cuttack.

SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB (CUTTACK): The National Highway No. 5 crosses the city of Cuttack of Odisha and is the main roadway connecting Chennai and Kolkata. It is the main thoroughfare between North and South in the eastern coast. As traffic is growing year after year dependence on road is increasing alarmingly and thereby putting pressure on the road network. As usual, the local traffic to the city of Cuttack has increased manifold and therefore there is an urgent need to construct fly-over on the NH-5 in the inter-sections of Cuttack City.

Now the National Highway No. 5 between Bhubaneswar and Cuttack is being widened to six-lanes and at certain places fly-overs are being constructed. But the flyover designed to be constructed near Madhupatna police Station needs reconsideration as it will serve little purpose because the flyover does not cover Cuttack- Paradeep rail line which passes over NH-5. If the flyover as designed near Madhupatna Police Station is allowed to be constructed then it will further jeopardize traffic flow to and fro in Cuttack city and it will perennially be a traffic hazard.

I would urge upon the Government to immediately intervene in the matter and reconsider to extend the fly-over near Madhupatna Police Station over the Paradeep train-line for smooth passage of traffic.